

# North Band 2013-2014

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Mr. Shane Bradford, Director

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## REHEARSAL EXPECTATIONS

- ✓ Be in the room when class begins or you will be marked tardy.
- ✓ Gum, pop, or candy will not be allowed in the room.
- ✓ Only handle your instrument and your music.
- ✓ Playing on the piano is permitted only when you have gained the band teacher's permission.
- ✓ You will be responsible for all music and folders checked out to you. If they are lost or damaged, you will replace them at your own expense.
- ✓ Unexcused absences will lower your grade by one level. If you skip class the day of a test, you **WILL NOT** be allowed to make it up. You will take a zero.
- ✓ If you have an instrument that is not playing, please come to class as early as possible, or before or after school to see if anything can be done. If your instrument is being repaired, please bring a note from home.

## SUPPLIES

- Books (see attached page)
- Instrument in good playing condition (percussionists-that includes sticks)
- Reeds, oils, neck straps, cleaning cloths, etc.
- Music that has been passed out in class
- **PENCIL!!!!**



## GRADES

- **75% Daily Performance:** Attitude, effort, following rehearsal procedures and room expectations, preparation, *improvement*, remembering instrument and music, participation.
- **15% Performances/Quizzes/Assignments:** Listed at
- **10% Practice Cards:** Due every Monday. Students may turn in their practice cards on Tuesday with a 1 point deduction, or Wednesday with a 2 point deduction. Practice cards will not be accepted on Thursday or Friday. Exceptions will be made for absences and holidays. One day of practice will be counted if it is at least 15 minutes of focused practice with a SMART (Specific Measurable Attainable Relevant Time-framed) goal in mind. The following points will be given:
  - 3 points:** Turning in card.
  - 1 point:** Each day of practice.
  - 10 Points Total**

## EXTRA CREDIT

- Concert reports, auditions, private lessons, chamber groups, extra performances, or providing extra help in class.

**PERFORMANCE POLICY** – Unexcused concert absences will lower your grade by one level. Excused absences are illness, out of town on family emergency, or vacation. You must inform the teacher with a written letter **PRIOR** to concert absences in all cases other than illness. The student will be required to make up missed performance (excused only) by way of a paper, the subject of which is to be chosen by the teacher and the student. It must be 3 pages, typewritten (font 12-14 only), with double spacing, correct spelling, and correct grammar. Three sources must be cited in your bibliography.

\*\*\*\*\*Thank you parents and guardians, for all of your cooperation and support. Please sign and return the form at the bottom of the last page to Mr. Bradford by Friday, August 30, 2013. Signing indicates you have read the band policies and procedures for the 2013-2014 school year.

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# 2013-2014 NMS Band Dates

Band Information can be viewed by going to NMS web site and accessing the NMS Band on the left hand side of the page.

<u>WHO</u>	<u>WHAT</u>	<u>WHEN</u>	<u>WHERE</u>
7 / 8	North Middle School Jazz Concert	Friday, November 8, 2013	NMS & Beyond
7 / 8	Middle School All-State Auditions Due	Friday, December 6, 2013	NMS Band Room
6 / 7 / 8	North Middle School Combined Concert	Monday, December 16, 2013 Begins at 6:30	NMS Gymnasium
6 / 7 / 8	Solo and Ensemble Festival	Friday, January 31, 2014 Runs from 3:30 – 7:00	NMS - Each performance will be assigned a time & center.
7 / 8	Festival of Bands Auditions	Tuesday, February 18, 2014 Friday, February 21, 2014	TBA - Each audition will be assigned a time & school.
7 / 8	Middle School All State Band	Friday, February 28, 2014 Saturday, March 1, 2014	T.F. Riggs H.S., Pierre
6 / 7 / 8	Festival of Bands Rehearsals	Friday, March 7, 2014 Saturday, March 8, 2014	Civic Center Theatre Civic Center Theatre
	<b>Festival of Bands Concerts</b>		
5 / 7 / 8		March 8, 2014 5:00 PM	Civic Center Theatre
6 / 7 / 8		March 8, 2014 7:00 PM	Civic Center Theatre
7 / 8	NMS Band – Spring Jazz Band Tour	*Tuesday, April 22, 2014 (*Actual Date TBA)	General Beadle Horace Mann Knollwood Heights
6 / 7 / 8	North Middle School Band Spring Concert	Monday, May 12, 2014 Begins at 6:30	Cafeteria / Courtyard

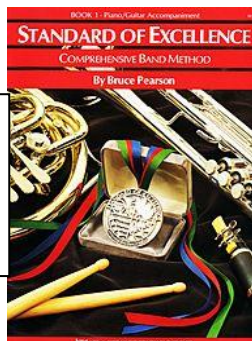
<b>Mr. Bradford's Responsibility</b>	<b>Student's Responsibility</b>	<b>Parent's Responsibility</b>
Provide learning experience.	Participate in learning experience.	Support student's learning.
Provide quality songs, worksheets, and performance opportunities.	Bring all needed supplies and assignments to class, and attend all performances.	Help student get supplies, and if there is a financial hardship, to contact the teacher.
Clearly state goals, targets, and expectations.	Practice at home so we can rehearse in class; do assignments and return them on due date.	Provide a place and time for student to do assignments and practice.
Provide feedback on student's work.	Keep all completed/returned work.	Periodically ask student to bring home returned work, and to play their instrument for you.
Post grades on website in timely manner and provide mid-quarter and quarter grades. In extreme cases, contact parents. Respond to parent's inquiries.	Track your progress using Family Access or check with teacher for grade update before or after school. Keep your parent informed about what you are learning.	If you have internet access, register for Family access on <a href="http://www.rcas.org">www.rcas.org</a> . Follow student's progress. Contact teacher if questions arise. <a href="mailto:Shane.Bradford@k12.sd.us">Shane.Bradford@k12.sd.us</a>

## NMS BAND BOOK LIST

These books must be in class by:

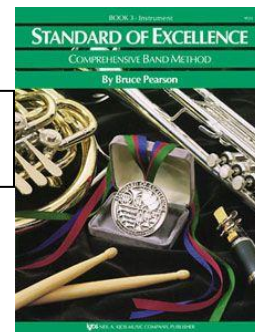
**September 16, 2013.**

**Sixth Grade:** You should still have your book. If it is lost, buy another (*gulp*)!  
**Approximately \$10**

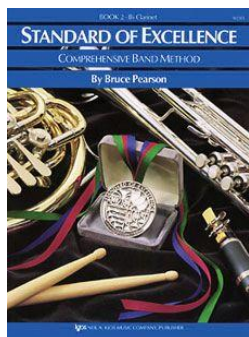


*Please contact me if you are not able to purchase the books by this time. We can make it work, no problem!! I'd be happy to help!*

**Eighth Grade:**  
**Approximately \$7**

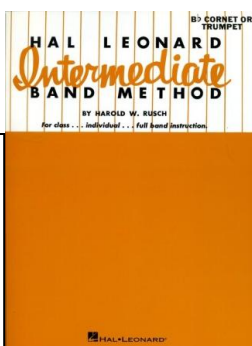


**Seventh Grade:**  
**Approximately \$7**



**Eighth Grade:**  
This is used as a supplementary in class. If you would like, you may purchase a copy for home.  
**Approximately \$6**

**Seventh Grade:**  
This is used as a supplementary in class. If you would like, you may purchase a copy for home.  
**Approximately \$5**



**First Assignment: Detach and return to Mr. Bradford by Friday, August 30, 2013 for 15 points.**

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I have read, understand, and agree to be accountable to myself, my parents, and my band.

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I have read, understand, and agree to help and encourage my student succeed in band. If I need help or have ideas, I will contact Mr. Bradford.

Teacher Signature \_\_\_\_\_

I have read, understand, and agree to help and encourage my students, and their parents through communication and positive interactions.

**Parent Email:**

**Parent Phone:**